

Monday, March 16th, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

Bethel ADF&G Conference Room & Via Web Conference

MID-LOWER YUKON FISH AND GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This meeting was a joint session of multiple Alaska Advisory Committees (ACs) convened to vote on two recurring wildlife management proposals. Savannah Hollingworth facilitated the meeting and conducted roll call for each AC group to establish quorum, including Bethel AC, Coastal Lower Yukon AC, Mid-Lower Yukon AC, Central Bering Sea AC, and Lower Kuskokwim AC.

The first proposal, Proposal 254, sought to reauthorize antlerless moose hunting seasons in Unit 18, allowing residents to continue hunting cow moose on the Yukon, Kuskokwim, and Good News river drainages. The second proposal, Proposal 251, aimed to reauthorize the resident tag fee exemption for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23, and 26, which waives the standard \$25 locking tag requirement if hunters encounter a brown bear while moose hunting.

Bethel AC, Coastal Lower Yukon AC, and Mid-Lower Yukon AC all achieved quorum and voted unanimously in favor of both proposals. Central Bering Sea AC did not achieve quorum due to members dropping off the call and other technical difficulties, but several members including Janet, Stan, Susie Walter, and Jackie provided comments supporting both proposals, emphasizing the importance of subsistence hunting opportunities and the financial burden that additional fees would place on low-income hunters. Savannah noted that three of the five ACs within GMU18 had approved the proposals, meeting the minimum requirement, and thanked all participants for attending.

Roll Call

Name	Present	Teleconference	Absent
Mid-Lower Yukon	Total:4	Needed for Quorum: 4	Met? Yes
William Alstrom	X		
George Beans (alt.)	X		
Christopher Redfox			
Joel Beans (alt.)			
Ivy Lamont (alt.)			
Basil Larson			
Wassily Alexie (alt.)			
Peter Tyson	X		
Francis Thompson (alt.)	X		

1) Welcome

2) Approval of Agenda

3) Reports

- a) Boards, reason for being here
- b) DWC (Wildlife)

4) Public Comment – Keep to 3 mins; related to agenda only – No public comment occurred at this meeting

5) New Business

- a) Board of Game Antlerless Moose and Brown Bear Tag Fee Exemption Reauthorization Proposals
 - i) [Proposal 254: Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in Unit 18](#)
 - Mid-Lower Yukon AC
 - Motion made by Francis Thomson, 2nd by George Beans. Unanimous Approval

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ii) [Proposal 251: Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23 and 26A](#)

- Mid-Lower Yukon AC
 - Motion made by Francis Thomson, 2nd by George Beans.
 - Francis asked what the requirements of harvest would be, if it was for subsistence or hide and skull. Keith Oster answered that this proposal would apply to both.
 - Unanimous Approval

6) Other Business - NONE

7) Adjourn

- a) ACs left meeting as their groups finished on proposals.
- b) Meeting was adjourned at 7:00

Approvals were made by email.

Minutes Recorded By: Zoom AI generated Summary

Minutes Approved By: Mid-Lower Yukon AC Bill Alstrom

Date: 3/17/2026